

## EMPEROR FREDERICK DEAD.

The Kaiser's Mother Passes Away at Cronberg.

Members of the Royal Family at the bedside when the end came. The distinguished sufferer conscious until the last—her kin prepared for the worst by the physicians.

COLOGNE, Aug. 5.—Empress Frederick died at Cronberg at 6:20 this evening. The Kaiser and many members of the royal family being in attendance when the end came.

Rev. Cameron Walker, the British resident chaplain at Homburg, was summoned at 10 o'clock this morning at this quest of the Empress. At 11 o'clock this afternoon she was able to receive him and prayed for nearly an hour in company with the clergyman. She was fully conscious and quite resigned.

The Empress passed a restless night, but was able to see Emperor William, Empress Augusta Victoria, and the Crown Prince when they arrived early this morning.

The death of Empress Frederick, the mother of the Kaiser, was expected at any time today and the royal family were prepared for the end. A despatch received by the "Gazette" from Cronberg this morning stated that the Empress' condition was hopeless and that the attending physicians had so informed Emperor William and the other members of the family.

"The periods of unconsciousness were increasing in number and length. At 6:20 o'clock this morning Drs. Remmers and Spielhagen issued the following bulletin:

"The weakness of Empress Frederick is hourly increasing. The strength of the heart is still only slight."

A number of relatives arrived at Cronberg this morning. These included the Empress' oldest daughter and her sister, Princess Christian.

Emperor William, Empress Augusta Victoria, and the Crown Prince Frederick William arrived at 5:30 o'clock. They drove from Homburg at 3:15 to Friedrichs-of. The Emperor went to his mother's bedside immediately after his arrival.

LONDON, Aug. 5.—A bulletin has just been placed on the Mansion House stating that Empress Frederick is dead.

It is understood that the King will leave at once for Cronberg to attend his sister's funeral.

Her Royal and Imperial Highness, the Dowager Empress Frederick, was the widow of Emperor Frederick William of Germany and mother of the reigning Kaiser Wilhelm II. She was the eldest daughter of the late Queen Victoria of England and was born Princess Royal of Great Britain and Ireland and Duchess of Saxony November 21, 1840. She was christened Victoria Adelaide. She was eleven months and twelve days older than her brother, Albert Edward, now King Edward VII of England. Her other living brothers and sisters are Princess Helena of Schleswig-Holstein, Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught, and Princess Beatrice, Duchess of Hesse. Princess Victoria was married January 25, 1858, to Prince Frederick William of Prussia, then Crown Prince of Germany, by whom she had seven children, of whom the following five survive:

Princess Charlotte, born 1860, wife of the hereditary Prince of Saxony-Meiningen.

Princess Henry, born 1862.

Princess Victoria, born 1866, wife of Prince Adolph of Schleswig-Lippe.

Princess Sophia, born 1870, wife of Crown Prince Constantine of Greece.

Princess Margaret, born 1872, wife of Prince Frederick Charles of Hesse.

Crown Prince Frederick became Emperor of Germany on the death of his father in March, 1888, but he was then shortly dying of cancer of the throat, and he died June 15, 1888, after a nominal reign of three months, every moment of which was full of agony both mental and physical. His Empress remained by his side and devoted herself to alleviate his suffering. At his death she became the Dowager Empress, and her son became Emperor.

Empress Victoria Frederick was thus the daughter of a Queen and Empress, the mother of an Emperor, the wife and widow of an Emperor, and the sister of a King and Emperor.

Empress Frederick's health had been steadily declining for several years, and for eight months past she had been regarded as slowly dying. Queen Victoria's last days were darkened by the knowledge that the Empress' malady had been pronounced cancerous, and she insisted upon having detailed reports of the medical examination made to her. She would not miss the subject from her mind. When Queen Victoria died on January 22 last Empress Frederick was regarded as being likely to pass away within twenty-four hours, and the Kaiser was hurriedly summoned from England to his mother's bedside.

The Empress, like her mother before her, wished to have her condition pass as far as possible without observation, but she steadily took strength with the progress of her terrible malady. The bad news was kept back from week to week, as was done when Queen Victoria was at Osborne after her illness had been pronounced, and the Kaiser was hurriedly summoned from England to his mother's bedside.

TO MEET THE OPHIR.

Admiral Moore Leaves Simon's Bay on the Gibraltar.

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 5.—Admiral Moore left Simon's Bay today on the flagship Gibraltar to meet the royal yacht Ophir, on which the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York are returning from the Antipodes.

The admiral picked up the gunboat Thrush at Knysna.

THE PHILLIPS BOOKS.

Examinations by the Experts Thus Far Favorable.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—The experts who are at work on the books of the George H. Phillips Company labored all day yesterday and last night. Every effort is being strained by them to get the accounts in shape so the officials can tell where they stand.

Mr. Phillips spent the day yesterday at Morris Hill, where he went to consult with his partners. The other directors and several of the stockholders live in Morris. The experts announced that they had discovered nothing new in the situation, but the results so far were favorable.

Flynn's Business College, 8th and K. Business, Shorthand, Typing—\$25 a year.

Flooring Lumber at \$1.25 per 100 ft. Tongue and groove and dressed. Libbey & Co.

## KILLED BY A BOER SHELL.

Captain O'Flaherty Dies in a Fight at Greylingstad.

PRITORIA, Aug. 5.—Captain O'Flaherty, of the Body Guard, was killed by a shell from a pompan at Greylingstad while defending General Colville's rear guard from the Boers, who, in considerable numbers, invaded the British during the march. The 11th Lighters used their pompan on the Boer houses without much effect. Finally, they attempted to cross the railways and were fired upon by the block houses from two sides and punished severely. A number of Boers were taken prisoners and their commander was severely wounded.

"The Boer women and children who were brought to the refugee camps here recently had been existing on pumpkins and melons. The low state of their health previous to entering the camps has increased the death rate."

## TREATMENT OF THE BURGHERS.

The Cape Times Approves England's New Policy.

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 5.—The "Cape Times," in an editorial article today, heartily welcomes the change of policy announced in the House of Commons by Colonial Secretary Chamberlain in regard to the treatment of the Boers who shot natives.

The "Times" says that close association with the Boers, with the daily contact of the Boer and the English, had already impressed the colonists with the necessity of a change of policy.

## NAVAL MANEUVERES STOPPED.

Great Britain Abandons Its Test of Defences.

LONDON, Aug. 5.—It was officially announced this afternoon that the British Admiralty has stopped the naval maneuvers which have been proceeding for a week, and were intended to test the defenses for the protection of England's food route.

It is stated that the X fleet, otherwise known as the "fleet of the future," which was the English naval maneuvers, which have been proceeding for the past week.

## THE VERA BREAKING UP.

Hull of the Wrecked Steamer Already Under Water.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Aug. 5.—The wrecked steamer Vera is breaking up. The hull is submerged.

The prospects for floating the Acls are very good. The steamer Walrus and Neptune will leave here today to assist in towing her off the rocks if found feasible. Otherwise they will help in salvaging her cargo.

## PREVENTED BY BAD WEATHER.

M. Santos Dumont Fails to Try for a Prize.

PARIS, Aug. 5.—M. Santos Dumont must postpone his attempt to descend in his balloons this morning.

As the weather was threatening and the wind strong, the balloon was kept captive and Santos Dumont did not attempt to descend. The trip from St. Cloud to around the Eiffel Tower and return for the prize.

## BIDDO WINS A HANDICAP.

Mr. Gardner's Horse Takes a Plunge at Hurst Park.

LONDON, Aug. 5.—The race for the Holiday Handicap of 500 sovereigns was run at Hurst Park today and was won by Frank Gardner's Biddo. T. P. Hope's Wanshagh was second and Sydney Wargrave's Sweet Sound third. The winner was ridden by Clem Jenkins.

Eleven horses ran. The betting was 5 to 1 against Biddo and 7 to 1 each against Wanshagh and Sweet Sound.

The race for the Surrey Plate was won by Angering with Gamin second and The Butterine third. Fifteen horses started. The betting was 6 to 1 against Angering, 4 to 1 against Gamin, and 10 to 1 against The Butterine. Clem Jenkins rode the winner.

## YACHTS RACING FOR CUPS.

Yawls and Seventy-Footers Competing Off Newport.

NEPWTORT, R. I., Aug. 5.—The yawls and seventy-footers are racing today, the former for the cup won by the Navahoe on Astor Cup Day in a walkover and offered by the owners of the English cutters. The latter yacht will race for a cup offered by Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr.

The committee boat Mirage arrived at the lightship at 10:30 and after taking up her position hoisted the course signal south by west. This gave the yawls a run to leeward of twelve miles with a beat back. The wind at the time was blowing about eight knots.

The seventy-footers were given at 11 o'clock, the preparatory at 11:05, and the starting signal for yawls at 11:10. All three of the big boats were up to the northwest of the line and reached for it. The Alva crossing first at 11:25, the Navahoe following at 11:30, while the Vigilant was handicapped 12 seconds, crossing at 11:32.

All broke out spinners on crossing the line and soon the Navahoe overhauled and passed the Vigilant. The seventy-footers started five minutes after the yawls, the Rainbow getting over first at 11:36, and the Virginia at 11:47.

They were once again a hot huffing match which carried them well to the eastward of the course.

Finally, at 11:50, both squared away for the mark with spinners set. At 12:30 all five yachts were almost becalmed eight miles from the lightship.

## RACING STEAMERS COLLIDE.

Narrow Escape From a Disaster on Lake Michigan.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—While racing to get to their berth in the harbor this morning, the steamer Racine of the Goodrich line, and the steamer Kalamazoo, of the Williams line, collided about a mile off the new Government lighthouse at the entrance to the harbor.

As the two vessels came together, the impact caused the Kalamazoo to careen until the lower deck nearly reached the water's edge. About 30 passengers, many of whom were still asleep in their state-rooms, were on board the Kalamazoo and a panic followed. The boat righted at once, however. The Racine felt the shock only slightly. No damage of consequence was done.

## A Coal Plant Resumes.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Aug. 5.—The Henry Clay shaft, operated by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, resumed work today after a shutdown since August 1, when the breaker being repaired. Six hundred men and boys were given employment.

## Norfolk &amp; Washington Steamboat Co.

Lightning bolts daily at 6:30 p. m. from foot 7th to 10th St. Norfolk, Va. Beach, Ocean View and Newport News. For schedule, see page 3.

## New Car Load Doors, \$1.00 each.

White pine, 100, 150 inch thick. 6th and N. Y. av.

## RUSSIA MAKES OBJECTION.

Kuei-Chun Not Acceptable at St. Petersburg.

His Boer Sympathies the Cause of the Rejection—Tao-Kuei-Chun to Be Appointed as Minister-Friction Between the Converts and Others.

PEKING, Aug. 5.—Russia has raised an objection to the appointment of Kuei-Chun as Chinese Minister to St. Petersburg because of his Boer sympathies, and he will return to the Court. The Court will appoint a Manchu, Takoshima, to succeed Yang-yu as Chinese Minister at the Russian capital.

Chou-fu, who has acted as special commissioner to settle the claims of missionaries, left here today to resume his duties as provincial treasurer of Pao-tung-fu, the capital of Chihli Province. Chou-fu will practically become the viceroy of the province, as Li Hung Chang, the real viceroy, is occupied with his duties as peace envoy.

On account of the continued friction between converts and others, Chou-fu has requested the aid of two foreigners in order to secure harmony. The two men named are Count Durand, a Frenchman, who was until recently police commissioner of Pao-tung-fu, and Rev. Gilbert Reid, who for ten months has acted as interpreter of the British forces.

Notwithstanding these efforts, it will be difficult to restore peace, as thousands of Boers and brigands have been allowed to roam at large for a long time and disorder is the normal condition.

## EXECUTED AT SING SING.

Benjamin Pugh Dies in the Electric Chair.

OSSENING, N. Y., Aug. 5.—Benjamin Pugh, a negro, was executed in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison at 6:06 o'clock this morning. The condemned man faced death bravely and walked from the cell to the chair without any display of fear. Three shocks of the current were necessary to produce death.

At precisely 6 o'clock the warden with the principal keeper, went in the condemned man's quarters through the door leading from the death house. Pugh could hear the door open and knew that it was the signal that they were coming to summon him to his doom. He straightened himself up between the two priests who attended him and went to greet the warden. Father Durand, a French priest, walked beside the condemned man with a large crucifix in his hand and he and Pugh prayed together as they journeyed to the electric chair. The sight of the chair had no effect upon the victim. He looked at it curiously and then sat down and, while waiting with interest the movements of the big keepers who strapped him in it, prayed until the current was applied and all was over with him.

Seldom has a condemned man been so absolutely resigned to his fate as Pugh. He had repeatedly told his guards that he would rather die than be hanged. The first application of the current was given at 6:03, at a voltage of 1,000, which was maintained for five seconds and gradually reduced to 200 volts.

The two extra shocks were given at intervals of two minutes each.

Pugh was the fifth man to go to his doom since Molieux has been in the deathhouse. These executions do not seem to disturb Molieux in the least, as he steadfastly believes he will be granted a new trial and escape the chair.

Pugh's crime was committed on August 25, 1900, in Brooklyn, when he murdered John Tietjen, a waiter in a restaurant at 121 Fulton Street, near Reid Avenue. Tietjen put Pugh out of the restaurant because he made a disturbance when he was paying for his meal, the dispute arising over a matter of 10 cents. Pugh, being angry, drew a revolver and shot the waiter for \$2 and coming back to the restaurant, shot the waiter.

## EXCURSION TRAIN DERAILED.

Several of the Six Hundred Passengers Sustain Injuries.

PERU, Ind., Aug. 5.—Six hundred passengers on an excursion train had a narrow escape from disaster this morning, as the train derailed at the town of Stillwell. As it was, they were badly shaken up.

The party was made up of pleasure seekers from Indianapolis, who were returning from a day's outing on the shores of the lake at Michigan City. The train consisted of eleven coaches and all were crowded. The train, which was on the Lake Erie and Western Railroad, was nearing Grand Trunk crossing at Stillwell when it jumped the track at a switch. The engine and the first coach turned over and the next three coaches were derailed and partly derailed.

Reports to the superintendent's office here say that none of the passengers were seriously hurt. Full information as to the extent of the accident is lacking, however, as the wrecking train that was sent to the relief of the excursion train has not returned.

## SENATOR CULLOM TALKS.

He Returns to Chicago After a Visit to Canton.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—After a visit to President McKinley at Canton, Senator Cullom returns here today. He is expected to bring back legislation next winter, but that some of the pending commercial treaties ought to be presented. He disclaimed speaking for the President in his McKinley's views.

The Senator returned home yesterday afternoon and went at once to the Hotel Morain, Highland Park, where he is spending the summer. In talking of his trip last evening he told at some length what he thought would be the course of the Administration.

"No, I did not go to Canton to talk over Illinois appointments," said the Senator, and then added, with a laugh, "I had been expected to go to Canton to talk over Illinois appointments."

He intimated that Dawes' successor would not be an Illinois man.

## THE CAMPAIGN IN KENTUCKY.

A Lively Contest for Democratic Senatorial Honors.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 5.—The four Democratic candidates for United States Senate will take the stump and speak in every county in the State between now and the November election. They are Representative Charles K. Wheeler, D. H. Smith, ex-Governor J. B. McCreary, and Judge J. E. Cantrell.

Candidates for the Senate in Kentucky have not made speeches before the people for their own interest since the celebrated Blackhawk-Williams campaign in the 30's. All the candidates are clamoring for joint debates, and each candidate will challenge the others to meet him.

Suburban cottage sliding, \$1.50. It is 1x7, rustic dressed. Libbey & Co.

## THE EVANS-CHANDLER MATTER.

Naval Officers Do Not Expect a Court-Martial.

Little interest is expressed at the Navy Department in the controversy between ex-Secretary of the Navy and Rear Admiral Evans, which has been revived by the latter's book, "A Sailor's Log," in which Rear Admiral Evans comments upon Mr. Chandler's conduct when he was Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. Chandler has been talking about asking for a court-martial for Admiral Evans, charging him with conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, but at the department it is stated that he has not yet taken any decisive action. Mr. Chandler bases his charge upon the ground that, as Secretary of the Navy, he was Admiral Evans' superior officer and that in consequence it was improper for Evans to criticize him.

Many naval officers hold that Mr. Chandler is a private citizen and that hence Admiral Evans was not, in criticizing him, guilty of any disrespect to a superior officer. A citizen can prefer charges against an officer for unbecoming conduct, but it is for the Department to decide whether or not the charges warrant the trial of an officer.

In this case, it is said that nothing is likely to come of the matter, as Secretary of the Navy has not yet taken any decisive action. Mr. Chandler has not yet taken any decisive action.

## THE SCHLEY CONTROVERSY.

Name of Admiral Kimberly's Successor Still Withheld.

It is expected at the Navy Department that Frank W. Hackett, the Acting Secretary, will announce the name of the officer of the Schley Court of Enquiry who is to fill the vacancy caused by Rear Admiral Kimberly's resignation. The understanding is that no reply has yet been received from the officer selected and for that reason his name has been withheld.

There were no new developments in the Schley controversy today.

Admiral Dewey was at the Navy Department this morning and saw Mr. Hackett for a few minutes, but he would have nothing to say concerning the Schley matter.

## A BOUNDARY LINE QUESTION.

The Governors of Tennessee and Virginia to Confer Here.

Governor McMillin, of Tennessee, and Governor Tyler, of Virginia, are expected to hold a conference today on the subject of the boundary line between their States. The dividing line between Virginia and Tennessee has for many years been a source of annoyance to the authorities and the people of the States.

At this time the line passes through the middle of the principal street of the town, therefore a crime can be committed on one side of the street and the perpetrator can walk across the street and be considered on the other side.

It is understood that Governor Tyler and McMillin will carefully go over the geological charts of the territory in question, and discuss plans for changing the State line so as to place Bristol either in Virginia or entirely in Tennessee.

Governor Tyler was expected to reach Washington from Richmond on an afternoon train. Governor McMillin arrived yesterday, and is stopping at the Shoreham. The subject of the boundary line is likely to last several days, as the question is one of importance to both States, and one fraught with many perplexing problems in adjudication.

## REV. GEORGE S. MEAD DEAD.

State Department Notified by Dr. Hunter, Minister at Guatemala.

Dr. Hunter, the United States Minister at Guatemala, has reported to the State Department the death of Rev. George S. Mead, an Episcopal clergyman of San Francisco, formerly of Hingham, Mass.

Mr. Mead was traveling in company with Prof. Walter E. Brown, of Santa Rosa, Cal., combining pleasure with certain scientific investigations in the country. On the morning of June 18, the minister failed to appear at the usual hour in the morning and his companion, with the priest, went to the hotel where they were staying, entered the room and found him dead in bed. An autopsy showed that he died from heart disease.

The body of Mr. Mead was buried in the Arlington Cemetery, and Prof. Bryant took charge of his effects.

## THE VENEZUELAN OUTBREAK.

State Department Officials Without Further Advice.

The State Department has no information today regarding the trouble reported between Venezuela and Colombia.

An American warship has not yet been ordered to the scene and no steps have been taken in this direction except to discuss the availability of vessels should it be found necessary to protect American interests, to send a ship to Venezuelan waters.

Although some of the consuls are apprehensive of trouble the officials of the State and Navy departments do not believe the situation is such as to make it necessary for this Government to take any course of the trouble.

## TOOK A DOSE OF LAUDANUM.

Earnest Pettit Makes an Attempt to End His Life.

Earnest Pettit, seventeen years of age, attempted suicide about 1 o'clock this afternoon by taking a dose of laudanum. He was hurried to the Emergency Hospital where he was found by the physicians. He was soon able to pronounce him out of danger. Pettit attributes his trouble to family misdeeds.

Pettit has been employed for about two weeks for the A. J. Jones Printing Company, at 629 Louisiana Avenue northwest. Today he reported for work as usual. At the close of the lunch hour he walked up to a member of the firm in a dazed way and said that he wished to be put to death as he had taken laudanum and wanted to die.

Dr. Czarna was called in and at once telephoned for the ambulance from the Emergency Hospital. He told him that he wished to be put to death as he had taken laudanum and wanted to die.

## THE CLEVELAND SITUATION.

A Report That Negroes Are to Take Strike's Place.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 5.—Lawrence Kelley, of New Philadelphia, a member of the Amalgamated Steel Workers' Association's Advisory Board, is here making investigation of the report that negroes have been imported here from Alabama to take the place of the union men in the mills here this week.

"I have learned," he said, "that 100 negroes were brought here from Alabama about three weeks ago, but most of them were discharged here. The balance of the work at these furnaces is too severe for white men; only the colored men from the South who are accustomed to intense heat, can stand it. Of course, we have no objection to them coming here for that purpose. I do not believe, however, that there is any white man in any of the mills of Cleveland who would consent to work if the company attempted to put imported negroes in place of the strikers. To put colored men to work in the mills would be to precipitate a general strike without any action on the part of the Amalgamated Association."

"I expect Vice President Wilson to return to Cleveland within the next few days. By that time the executive committee of the association will have decided what action it will take and we will then know what we are to do in Cleveland."

There has as yet been no attempt to start the mills here. There will be about 10,000 men affected in this city by the ultimatum of Mr. Shaffer.

## To Spend a Vacation at Buffalo.

Dr. George W. Leadley, Chief of the Record Service Division, Civil Service Commission, accompanied by his wife, has gone to Buffalo to spend his vacation.

## The "Department Limited"

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## Number One Shingles, \$4.50. Perfect cypress, 5x20, 6x20 and N. Y. av.

Number two Shingles, \$4.00. Perfect cypress, 5x20, 6x20 and N. Y. av.

## PREPARING FOR THE CLASH.

Shaffer's Strike Order Not Expected for Several Days.

The Steel Workers' Leader Communiting With All the Lodges of the Union—The Trust to Try to Reopen Its Plants Which Are Idle.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 5.—Although the order for a general strike of the Steel Workers' Union is not expected for a few days yet, both the trust and the labor leaders are preparing for the struggle that must assume gigantic proportions. Both sides are silent but desperate, and when war is declared exciting developments are expected.

Mr. Shaffer, President of the Amalgamated Association, was at his office early this morning, but declined to talk. There is a deal of speculation concerning the date on which he will issue the general strike order. Before calling out his men, it is said, he will issue a circular to all the lodges, giving a statement of the facts in the case, so that the men will see that the officers of the union have done everything possible to prevent a general rupture and a general fight with the Steel Trust. The strike order will then follow and will be taken up without the least misunderstanding on the part of the members.

It is doubted in some quarters that the strike will spread far. An intimation has been made that there is still some hope of ending the trouble soon and that is by the return to work of the men at the Painter, Lindsay, and McCutcheon & Clark mills. These mills were non-union last year. The men went out when the strike was ordered and they are now members of the Amalgamated Association.

In the efforts to obtain an adjustment of the strike, however, their status has been an embarrassing factor. It is said that if the men desire to go to work there will be no objection by the association.

Such a course would leave the Amalgamated officials in a position to accept Mr. Morgan's terms with honor. Amalgamated Association officials and steel mill managers spent yesterday preparing for the impending contest of strength.

This much can be said as to the plans of the leaders in this great industrial war. The steel managers will carry out at once the preparations they have been making for several weeks for reopening the plants now closed. What has been going on at Wellsville will be in progress at a dozen other mills within ten days. The Wellsville mill, it is expected, will be in full operation today. The trust's sheet mill at Hyde Park is to be reopened probably tomorrow. It will be operated by men from the non-union plants of the trust at Vanderbilt, Apollo, Leeburg, and Salisbury. But the trust is not going to stop at the sheet steel mills. It intends to start up the tin plate and steel hoop mills also.

Reports received from many quarters show that the strikers are well provided with funds, and few applications have been made for relief.

The steel managers fully expected the general strike order to be issued to take effect last night, until they telephoned to all the mills that they were likely to be affected. They could not understand the delay, but none of them advanced the theory that the delay was caused by a fear of showing weakness.

The steel men are not making the mistake by underestimating the strength of their opponents. Significant evidence of the magnitude of the struggle that is expected is the coming of C. M. Schwab, President of the United States Steel Corporation.

Outbreaks are feared when an attempt is made to run some of the closed mills with non-union labor. McKeesport is expected to be the storm center in the event of an outbreak. A. P. Dennis, the Mayor of Wellsville, made a statement yesterday, guaranteeing police protection to any men going to work in the sheet mill.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—It was learned today that the officers of the United States Steel Corporation were preparing a statement for publication in answer to the statement which was issued here by Mr. Shaffer, President of the Amalgamated Association, last Saturday. C. M. Schwab, of the corporation, when asked regarding the statement today said that he had not completed it yet, and that he could not say when it would be ready. Mr. Schwab would not discuss the matter further.

## THE NEWBURG MILL STARTED.

No Opposition Offered by the Steel Workers.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 5.—The bloom mill at Newburg was started this morning by the United States Steel Corporation. It had been closed for repairs for a week last week, and it was reported that it was being organized by the unions during the shut down. This was evidently untrue, for there was no opposition to its starting.

Contrary to expectations the hoop mill did not start this morning. Everything is quiet.

## MINE WORKERS CONVENT.

The Executive Board in Session at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 5.—The executive committee of the United Mine Workers of America began a secret session at national headquarters this morning.

W. B